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**BRIEFING NOTE TO THE MINISTER OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITIES**

**RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE A PROJECT FOR FUNDING UNDER THE  
INVESTING IN CANADA INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM IN**  
[REDACTED]

(For Signature)

**TIMELINE**

Your decision is requested by the end of February, in order to allow the Ultimate Recipients to complete design and commence project construction on-time.

**PURPOSE**

To request that you approve [REDACTED] in federal funding to [REDACTED] (the Project) under the Green Infrastructure Stream; Environmental Quality sub-stream of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP).

**SUMMARY**

- The Project, which was submitted by the [REDACTED], and prioritized by [REDACTED]

Additionally:

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- The Project will create an opportunity to build stronger, cleaner, and environmentally sustainable communities.
- As a result of the due diligence process, Infrastructure Canada (INFC) has determined that:

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- [REDACTED] and
- A Greenhouse Gas Emissions (GHG) Assessment and a Climate Change Resilience Assessment is not required for the Project.
- INFC has reviewed the Project and determined that it meets eligibility requirements, and recommends this Project be approved.
- Your signature on the attached Project Approval Letter to [REDACTED] (Annex A) and List of Approved Projects (Annex B) is requested to inform [REDACTED] that this Project has been approved for federal funding.

**CONTEXT AND KEY FACTS**

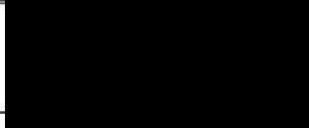
- INFC officials have reviewed the Project and confirmed that it is within your delegated authority and both the Project and the ultimate recipient are eligible for funding under the terms and conditions of ICIP. INFC Corporate Services have reviewed the cash flow and confirmed that funds are available.
- INFC officials have determined that there are no requirements under the *Impact Assessment Act* (IAA) for this Project.
- INFC officials have determined that there is no legal obligation to consult with Aboriginal groups under Section 35 of the *Constitution Act, 1982* for this Project.
- The Project being recommended for approval was submitted by [REDACTED] to be governed by the Canada-[REDACTED] *Integrated Bilateral Agreement for the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program*.
- Note a Project Fiche providing a detailed overview of the Project is included in Annex C.


**RECOMMENDATIONS**

- I recommend that you approve the Project for [REDACTED] in ICIP funding by signing the attached Project Approval Letter to [REDACTED] (Annex A) and List of Approved Projects (Annex B).
- The attached Project Approval Letter and List of Approved Projects will serve to notify your Provincial counterpart of the approval of federal funding.

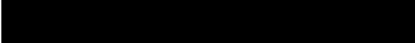
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- Once approved, the Project can be announced. Should you wish to proceed with announcing the Project, departmental officials will work with your office to confirm the details.

	<u>February 20</u> Date
Kelly Gillis Deputy Minister Infrastructure and Communities	

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I approve.	<input type="checkbox"/> I do not approve.	<input type="checkbox"/> For discussion.
		<u>MAR 13 2020</u> Date
The Honourable Catherine McKenna, P.C., M.P. Minister of Infrastructure and Communities		

**Attachments:**

- Annex A – Project Approval Letter to  (2 copies for signature)  
Annex B – List of Approved Projects (2 copies for signature)  
Annex C – Project Fiche

Minister of Infrastructure  
and Communities



Ministre de l'Infrastructure  
et des Collectivités

Ottawa, Canada K1P 0B6

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You will find enclosed a project list that includes details about the approved project, which is governed by the terms and conditions of the Agreement. The maximum federal funding for the project under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program is the percentage of total eligible costs up to the maximum funding amount indicated in the enclosed list (columns G and H respectively).

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Canada has determined that there are no federal requirements under the Impact Assessment Act (IAA) for this Project.

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**Project Announcement**

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your collaboration and commitment to the successful delivery of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program in [REDACTED]. I look forward to working with you as we continue to implement this long-term infrastructure program for the benefit of all Canadians.

Yours sincerely,



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						Federal Cost-Share (% of total eligible costs) (G)	Maximum Federal Funding Amount (H)			Greenhouse Gas Emissions Assessment (K)	Climate Change Resilience Assessment (L)	
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Green Infrastructure – Environmental Quality	[REDACTED]	40%	[REDACTED]	No	No	N/A	N/A	
						Total	[REDACTED]					

I hereby approve the above project for a total federal ICIP funding of [REDACTED] with the associated conditions specified in the accompanying letter.



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Green Infrastructure – Environmental Quality

[Redacted]

Ultimate Recipient:	[Redacted]	Location:	[Redacted]	Project ID:	[Redacted]
Project Description:					
[Redacted]					
[Redacted]					
[Redacted]					

INFC ASSESSMENT

INFC has made the determination that the Project meets eligibility requirements under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program.

Project Results

- The project supports the [Redacted] outcome under the Green Infrastructure stream; Environmental Quality sub-stream.

Eligible Recipient

- [Redacted] INFC has determined that it is an eligible Ultimate Recipient.
- The Ultimate Recipient will own and operate the asset.

Funding/Stacking/Cost-Sharing

- The federal contribution for this project respects the cost-sharing limits under the Green Infrastructure stream, where municipal projects are eligible for a maximum federal contribution of 40%
- The Province is responsible for providing the 33.33% cost-sharing ratio requirement for municipal projects at the stream level, and not at the project level. Approving this Project does not impact the province’s ability to meet this requirement.

Stream-Specific Requirements

- As per ICIP Terms & Conditions, a minimum of 45% of [Redacted]’s original Green Infrastructure stream federal allocation must be directed to the Climate Change Mitigation sub-stream. Approving this project does not impact [Redacted]’s ability to meet this requirement.
- [Redacted] following completion of this Project will meet or exceed provincial standards.

Climate Lens

- The Project does not require a climate lens assessment as the Total Eligible Costs are under the \$10,000,000 threshold.

Environmental Assessment and Duty to Consult

- INFC has determined that there are no federal environmental assessment requirements nor are there any Aboriginal Consultation requirements for this project.

[Redacted]

- [Redacted]

Are there any special conditions? ☐ Yes ☒ No



PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS	
Nature of the Project: [REDACTED]	Percentage of design completed: [REDACTED]
Asset Ownership: The Ultimate Recipient will own and operate the asset.	
Forecasted Construction Start Date (YYYY/MM/DD)	Forecasted Construction End Date (YYYY/MM/DD)
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

PROJECT FINANCES							
Maximum Federal contribution for this project						40%	
Sources of Funds		Amount (\$)			Percentage (%)		
Total Project Costs		[REDACTED]			[REDACTED]		
Total Eligible Costs							
ICIP Contribution – Green Infrastructure Stream							
[REDACTED]							
All other sources of project funding are secured?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No					
Fiscal Year Breakdown - INFC Share (April 1 to March 31)							
2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
\$0	[REDACTED]	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

PROJECT RESULTS	
[REDACTED]	

CLIMATE LENS	
GHG mitigation assessment included?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No The Project does not require a GHG mitigation assessment as the Total Eligible Costs are under the \$10,000,000 threshold.	
Climate resilience assessment included?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No The Project does not require a GHG mitigation assessment as the Total Eligible Costs are under the \$10,000,000 threshold.	

OTHER FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS		
Environmental Review Required?	No.	INFC has determined that there are no federal requirements under the Impact Assessment Act (IAA) for this Project.
Aboriginal Consultation Required?	No.	Based on the information provided, there is no legal obligation to consult with Aboriginal groups under section 35 of the Constitution Act, 1982 for this Project.



RISKS AND MITIGATION STRATEGIES	
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STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS RAISED BY OTHER GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT STEERING COMMITTEE	
<p>This Project has total eligible costs less than \$10 million, <div></div> does not require a Climate Lens assessment, and does not trigger a Treasury Board Submission.</p> <p>As per ICIP’s risk-based approach for project review, this Project does not require OGD Committee review.</p>	
STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS RAISED BY EXTERNAL REVIEW COMMITTEE	
<p>This Project has total eligible costs less than \$10 million, <div></div> does not require a Climate Lens assessment, and does not trigger a Treasury Board Submission.</p> <p>As per ICIP’s risk-based approach for project review, this Project does not require External Review Committee review.</p>	